

## HAPPY HOME FOR PRISONERS

New Federal Jail For Northern District Offenders.

## PERFECT SANITATION.

Model Quarters Where Boys And Petty Thieves Can be Separated From Hardened Criminals

The new Federal jail for the safe keeping of prisoners who transgress the laws in the Northern district will soon be ready for use. It is a model of sanitary perfection for the housing of men and women. There is plenty of light and air and all the compartments are roomy. In the summer time it can be kept comfortably cool by the circulation of air through the numerous large windows, and the thick walls and cemented floors keep out the heat. In the winter a warm, equable temperature will be maintained by radiators supplied with hot air from an immense furnace.

The jail is complete, now with the exception of placing the bathtubs and

although forty could be placed in every one to more healthful and comfortable advantage to prisoners than in their present quarters.

A great advantage in arranging the cages is that petty offenders and boys can be separated from the more hardened criminals.

In the basement is the furnace and fuel room, kitchen, pantry, prisoners bath room, store room and dungeon. This latter is for incorrigibles and is a tank box of three-eighths steel with steel door solid with the exception of a small crescent shaped peek hole that can be closed from the outside. This is for the incorrigibles, and for the purpose of disciplining prisoners who violate the rules. At the present jail there is no method to punish any one prisoner especially. If the jailer orders a bread and water diet the other prisoners divide with the offender. As they are all in one big pen it is impossible to prevent this.

The stairway to the basement leads from the main hallway as does the stairway leading to the upper floor where there is another "dark cell" and prison rooms for the insane and for suspects not yet charged with crime. These rooms are perfectly secure and provided with humane necessities and comforts. One will probably be occupied by the "trustys" or prisoners who can be trusted to work about the building without being constantly watched. These prisoners are locked up, however, at the usual hour at night.

The entire building is to be profusely lighted with electricity and buttons are arranged so that any cell or room can be flooded with light or darkness at the will of the guards.

## THE TEST OIL WELL DISPUTE

Company Files Answer and Counter Complaint.

The Downingville Oil and Gas Company, who were recently sued by Spiecher & Co. for \$1500 alleged to be due for drilling a prospect well on the east side 600 feet deep, filed their answer and cross-complaint today.

The company deny that the drillers performed the conditions of the contract; that they did not drill to Mississippi lime rock; did not make a test hole of the well, and did not drill to a sufficient depth to case off the flow of artesian water.

The company paid the contractors \$500 on account, believing that they would complete the well. They ask judgment for the \$500 and for \$350 by reason of being stuck with \$700 worth of casing that is now rated of only half that value as being second-hand.

In the answer the company assert that the contractors have left the well in such a shape that it is impossible to secure another outfit to go on with the work.

## THE UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE.

With English a Person Can Make His Way About Any of the World's Beaten Tracks.

English is to-day what French was in the eighteenth century and Latin in the middle ages, the language chosen by common consent for intercommunication between statesmen, savants and fashionable and literary persons of different nations, says the San Francisco Bulletin. With English one can make his way conveniently along any of the beaten tracks in Europe. More people now speak English as their vernacular than speak any other European tongue.

A sign of the growth in importance of the English tongue in the recent action of the school authorities of the German government in making English an optional study in the public schools of Saxony. This action was induced by a petition addressed to the government by the Dresden Schoolmasters' association. The petition was an excellent syllabus of the arguments in favor of English as a subject for study in the German public schools. A portion of it was as follows:

1. English is the most widely used civilized language in the world.
2. It is the most important language for Germany's international trade relations. In Dresden especially the knowledge of English is of great advantage to shopkeepers and commercial men, owing to the important Anglo-American colony there.

3. English deserves preference over French on account of its literature, which (a) excels that of France both from the artistic and moral point of view; (b) appeals more nearly to our sentiment and understanding as that of a Germanic people; (c) has played a prominent part in the development of our own literature.

4. English is not inferior to French in educative value.

5. In the teaching of English the readily learned grammatical forms of the language enable the time allotted to its study to be spent in attaining the most important object in teaching a foreign language—the power of its free use in speech and writing. This is not possible in the case of French, owing to the difficulty of its grammar.

It is only within recent times that English has been taught carefully even in England and American schools. The old theory was that a student learned English best by reading the Latin and Greek authors. While the benefits of a knowledge of Latin and Greek are very great and certainly assist in acquiring the accomplishment of using English correctly and elegantly, the close attention now given to English in our own schools will improve the average quality of English composition.

We scarcely appreciate what a treasure we possess in our English tongue. The vocabulary of English has been enriched by plunder from every land and every language. It is a flexible tongue, adaptable to any idea, and a tongue which welcomes accessions when those are necessary. It is not by its intrinsic virtue, however, that the English language is spreading and is becoming the cosmopolitan medium of communication, but rather by the increasing importance of the people that speak English. The British and the Americans control a large portion of the world's trade. Their influence is felt everywhere. They sell to everybody and everybody wishes to sell to them. Verily, the English language has come forward since the time when Bacon, despairing of the competency of the English tongue, translated some of his works into Latin.

## New Warships for France.

The French government will lay down 33 new vessels this year, consisting of one armored cruiser, four torpedo vessels, and eight submarines. To be built in the various government dockyards, whilst 20 other submarines will be built by private firms.

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### Consumption Threatened.

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NEW FEDERAL JAIL FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT.  
Corner South Draper and Delaware Avenue.

other plumbing fixtures and the electric light bulbs. A short sewer connection is yet to be made to the main sewer outlet. Requisitions for these necessities have been forwarded to Washington and an order for them is expected to here daily.

The main building is two stories with a deep basement, and the annex, while it does not show from the outside or from the accompanying cut is virtually two stories, inasmuch as there is an upper and lower tier of cells or cages.

The building is of pressed brick, stone and steel. There are two entrances, the main approached from the front and a narrow doorway from the side to be used as a private or night entry. These, with their oaken doors, give the passerby no idea of the manner in which they are guarded. As one enters the outer portal he faces heavy steel bars that stop further progress. A visitor must step to a small window to his right, resembling a window of a ticket office at a theatre, and state his business to the jailer or deputy on duty. If permission is granted for him to enter the corridor or hallway, adoor of the iron barred partition is opened for his passage. There are two large rooms on either side of this hallway that will be used as an office, dining room, sleeping room and a room for women prisoners. There is a bath room and lavatory for the officers of the prison. From the guard or sleeping room a panel can be opened giving a complete view of the jail proper in the rear.

The broad hallway leads back to a solid three-eighths steel door. Beyond this are the two story tiers of cages. A wide gallery runs around the upper tier, the doors of the lower cages opening upon the cement floor of a roomy corridor or exercise room in the center of which the steel cages are clamped to the floor which is also of steel. There are five cages in each tier supplied with only two bunks each. These face the front and are for the confinement of the more desperate prisoners who are thus in sight of the guard on duty at all times. Back of these are three roomy pens in each tier in which it is meant to keep about fifteen prisoners each,

All the outer windows are heavily barred.

When everything is in readiness for the jailing of the prisoners a day will be set aside by Marshal Darrough when the citizens will be permitted to make a thorough inspection of the premises.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Second Recording District at Vinita, Indian Territory.

### WARRANTY DEEDS.

#### CLAREMORE.

Elizabeth and Wm S Turner to Sarah J Curfman, lots 1 and 2, blk 15, Catosa; \$350.

Louis Colston to Wm S Turner, lots 1 and 2, blk 15, Catosa; \$100.

Jacob L and Vancella Ryan to Wm E Helms, lot 4, blk 57, Claremore; \$300.

W H and Amanda Myrtle to Guardian Trust Co., se-siw and sw-sw sec 9, tp 22, r 13; \$300.

A. Hagaman and wife to Thomas C Laudham, lots 8 and 9, blk 32, Owasso; \$1,500.

### REPORTED FROM NOWATA.

Peter Melton to C Brubaker, se-ne sec 10, tp 28, r 18; \$200.

Geo Campbell to same, se-se sec 32, tp 29, r 18; \$210.

John Campbell to same, se-sw sec 3, tp 28, r 16.

Johnson and Herriett, Fog to E M Metcalf, lots 3 & 4, sec 2, and lot 1, sec 11, tp 28, r 12 e; \$739.30.

Emma and Jacob Price to same, ne-se and ne-sw sec 34, tp 29, r 12, and ne-sw sec 1, tp 28, r 12; \$600.

### Slaves in China.

At present, if the latest advices from China are to be credited, that country is the great slave country of the world. Of a population of 400,000,000 there are slaves to the number of 10,000,000. Every family of means keeps its girl slaves, and a man's position is usually gauged by the number he keeps. At any age from three to 16 girls are sold, eight being the age at which most change hands. The girls are supposed to do housework, it being cheaper to buy than to hire. Slaves vary in price; \$10 is about the average, but most depends on the girl's appearance. A good-looking girl will fetch \$25 or even \$40.